NOTICE OF EMERGENCY RULE PROMULGATION

AGENCY:

Department of Marine Resources

STATUTORY AUTHORITY: 12 M.R.S.A. Sections 6172 and 6192

RULE PROMULGATION: DMR Regulation 95.03 J, Closed Area No. 18-J, Middle Bay, Brunswick.

TEXT OF RULE: DMR Regulation 95.03 J, Closed Area No. 18-J, Middle Bay, Brunswick.

Effective immediately, because of potential microbiological contamination, it shall be unlawful to dig, take or possess any clams, quahogs, oysters or mussels taken from the shores, flats and waters inside and northerly of a line beginning at Miller Point, Brunswick, extending southeasterly to the northernmost tip of Crow Island; then extending northeasterly to the unnamed point of land approximately 1000 feet east of Simpson's Point.

Violation of any provision of this regulation shall be a Class D Crime (12 M.R.S.A. Section 6204).

EFFECTIVE DATE: January 13, 2003

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STATEMENT OF FACT AND POLICY

The Commissioner of the Maine Department of Marine Resources promulgates the new emergency DMR Regulation 95.03 J, Closed Area No. 18-J, Middle Bay, Brunswick. The new regulation closes shore around Simpson's Point.

Department personnel have determined that the closed area is subject to non-point pollution, which poses a threat to public health.

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